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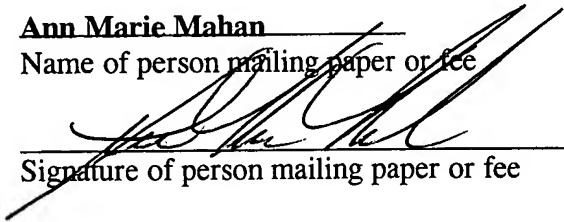
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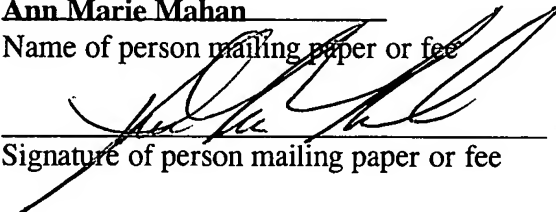
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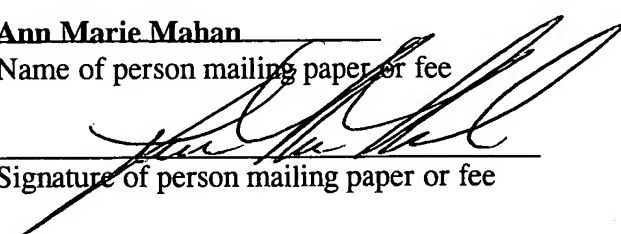
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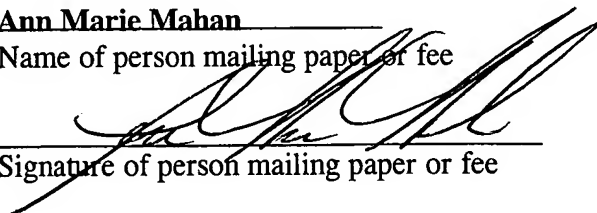
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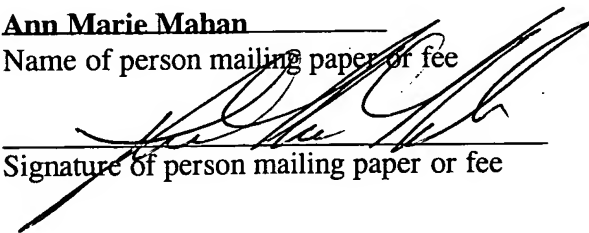
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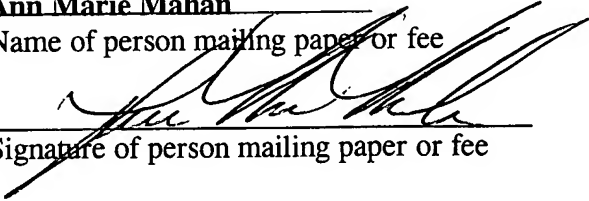
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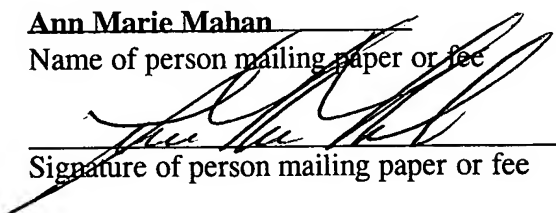
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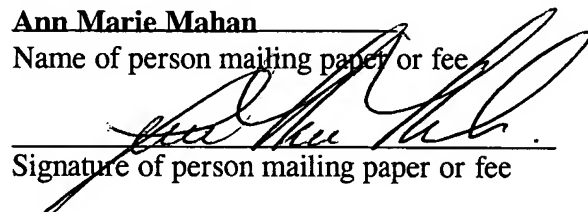
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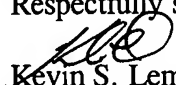
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The above-identified applicants enclose for filing the national phase of a PCT patent application (PCT/JP2003/013085) entitled "**PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF SULFOALKYL-CONTAINING POLYMERS**". Said attached PCT patent application includes (1) Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) Concerning a Filing Under 35 U.S.C. 371 (2-Pages); (2) Translation of the International Application into English: 27-Page Specification (including 3-Pages of Claims (7) and 1-Page Abstract); (3) Executed Declaration (4-Pages); (4) Check in the amount of \$1,360.00 in payment of the Filing Fee; (5) Copy of the International Search Report (1-page); (6) Recordation Form Cover Sheet (1-Page), Assignment (4-Pages); (7) Check in the amount of \$40.00 in payment of the Recording Fee; (8) Copy of the Notice Informing the Applicant of the Communication of the International Application to the Designated Offices (Form PCT/IB/308)(1-Page) and (9) Copy of the Notification Concerning Submission of Priority Document (Form PCT/IB/304)(1-Page).

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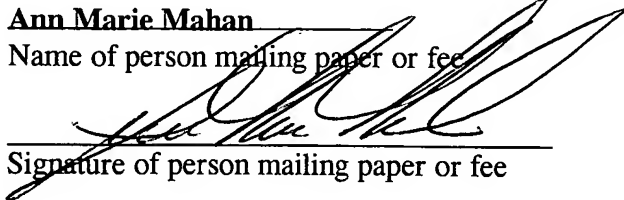
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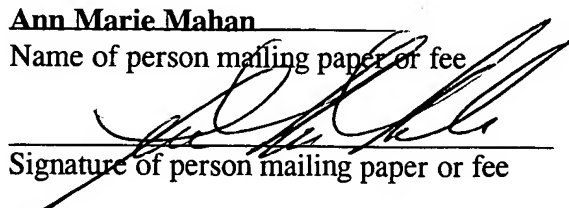
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